



Filemaker Pro 5

and the World Wide Web

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FileMaker Products

Filemaker Pro - One license allows up to 10 IP addresses to connect within a 24-hour period; no server or server software required

Filemaker Pro Unlimited - One license allows an unlimited number of users to connect without the need for additional licenses or server software; desktop computer can be used as a server, but not recommended

Filemaker Pro Server - Heavy duty software to control traffic on the server website; only needed for e-commerce level applications/websites



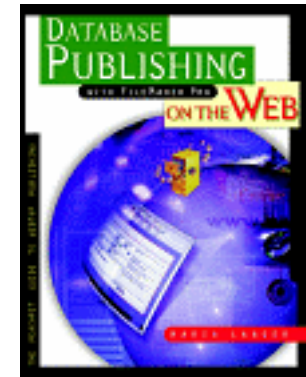
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Filemaker Pro Developer - to create stand-alone applications in a desktop or intranet environment; contains helper tools, templates, etc. and documentation for CDML, Filemaker's scripting language

Training Resources

- **Book:** *Database Publishing With Filemaker Pro on the Web*
by Maria Langer
 - ISBN No. 0-201-69665-7; \$29.95
 - For Filemaker 4
- **Training:** Mac/Windows Academy
 - <http://www.macacademy.com/>
 - CD self-paced and instructor led training
 - ***FileMaker Pro 5 Web Publishing***
 - Two CDs - \$59 each



Tech Support Resources

- Filemaker Pro Tech Info Database
<http://www.filemaker.com/support/techinfo.html>
- Support Packages from Filemaker Pro
<http://www.filemaker.com/support/contact.html>
- Downloads - be sure to check for latest patches
<http://www.filemaker.com/downloads/index.html>

Third Party Solutions

- **Lasso** <http://www.blueworld.com>
 - Helps you create custom web applications with Adobe GoLive or Dreamweaver
 - Filemaker bought the code from this company to create instant web publishing
 - Extremely powerful
 - Great support via e-mail; got response to question within an hour
 - Requires (at least) the purchase of two pieces of software - server version and desktop/development version

Third Party Solutions (continued)

- **Claris Home Page** *(sorry -- for Macs only)*
 - Helps you create custom web applications quickly Created by the same people who created Filemaker
 - This program is being discontinued; get it while you can!
 - Possibility (rumor) that this and Lasso may be integrated into a next-gen Filemaker
 - Buy from any on-line provider

Third Party Solutions (continued)

- **Excel** add-in for Filemaker Pro

http://www.microsoft.com/MAC/products/office/98/updates/filemaker_excel/default.asp

- For imports to Excel; be sure field is manually set to text type
 - Needed when using pre-2000 Office
- Microsoft 2000/2001 has built in support/interoperability with Filemaker

Security Issues at Glenn

- IP Client Checking - Use hostname to access the computer hosting the database; all documentation will tell you to enter the IP address - this is not documented anywhere! IP works in some areas at GRC, but not all.
- Set Netscape for the automatic proxy
- If hosting a database with outside GRC access, you must have a computer hooked up to outside services (198.118.*.* IP vs. 139.88.*.*)

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Demonstrations

- Instant web publishing using the version of Netscape we use
 - Limited format/rendering capability
 - Can be overcome using Lasso or Claris Home Page
- Instant web publishing using Internet Explorer
 - Presentation of Chapter 9 on Disk 1 of the MacAcademy training CD
- Demonstration of Claris Home Page